

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common 302 South Main Street

2. Location

street & number 302 South Main Street ☐ not for publicationcity, town Berlin ☐ vicinity of congressional district 1st

state Maryland county Worcester

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Ernest Holland

street & number 300 South Main Street telephone no.: 301-641-2418

city, town Berlin state and zip code MD 21811

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Worcester County Courthouse liber

street & number Market Street folio

city, town Snow Hill state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. 00-190

Condition

☐ excellent
☒ good
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☒ unaltered
☐ altered

Check one

☒ original site
☐ moved date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

This 2½ story wood frame house was probably moved in the early 1920's to its present site at 302 South Main Street along with the two adjacent houses to the north. It was placed well back from the street and is today surrounded by a number of large trees on a deep triangular lot. The lot's southern boundary is formed by a ditch known as "Bottle Branch", part of Berlin's drainage system.

The dwelling, two bays by three bays, presents a "four-square" appearance with its hip roof and one story verandah across the front. It sits atop an ashlar block foundation with 2/2 windows throughout and a stuccoed chimney centered in the roof peak. The siding material is aluminum with the roof being asphalt shingles.

The principal facade (east) features a central shed-roofed dormer with lozenge-shaped panes in the two single sash windows. This dormer is repeated on the sides of the house (north and south) without the decorative panes. The entrance, featuring a large light, is located in the first bay on the left, the other bay being occupied by an oversized 1/1 window. The hip-roofed verandah, previously mentioned, features square, flat full columns and modern concrete and block steps.

The north facade extends back to form the side of an almost windowless el that extends from the rear (west) facade. This section contains modern alterations.

The south facade features, in addition to the dormer mentioned, a small square 16-paned colored glass window near the entrance.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

According to oral history this house, and its two neighbors to the north, were moved to this site in the 1920's, possibly from the Ettinger site, a few hundred feet north.

This house, along with its neighbors on the North side, the Holland house and the Cantwell house, sits atop foundations of ashlar-faced block, although one of the houses and perhaps all, predate the use of this foundation material. The story of the moving of the structures has been corroborated by a number of Berlin's older residents.

Although simple in form and lacking significant architectural detail, this house is very typical of many of Berlin's houses. Its form and scale, its position on the street contribute to the overall look of the Berlin's Historic District.

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Quadrangle scale _____

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